

OUR AIR FIGHTERS PLAY A FAIR GAME

AVIATOR F. P. MAGOON RELATES
AN INSTANCE OF THEIR REAL
SPORTSMANSHIP.

ONE FLYER'S LUCKY ESCAPE

American Infantryman Has Advantage
Over the German in His Ammunition
Equipment—Finger Prints of Ger-
man Alien Females to Be Taken.

(From Committee on Public Information.)
Washington.—A committee on public
information representative in London
says:

There are no better sportsmen in the
world than the allied aviators, and
American aviators now fighting in Eu-
rope always play a fair game, as they
learn it from the allies. F. P. Magoon,
a former Harvard student, now a
member of the Royal air force, re-
cently won, tells how the lives of
German observers escaping from balloons
have been spared.

"We caught three Hun balloons
above the allied grounds in a net,
which prevented their egress," said he.
"It was a cinch. You should have seen
them hustle out their parachutes and
abandon the balloons. As they came
falling down through the air we opened
fire, but, of course, didn't open fire as
that's against the rules of the game. As
soon as they touched ground they took
cover like rabbits."

Magoon is the only American in his
squadron, having joined in February of
last year. He has bagged five German
planes. While carrying bombs for low
attack in the recent offensive he re-
ceived a bullet through his left arm,
but managed to return to his own
lines. Magoon tells of a companion in
his squadron who had one of the luckiest
escapes during the war. He was put out
of action 1,000 feet in the air when a
bullet perforated his gasoline tank. He
was rendered unconscious by the fumes
and his machine took a nose dive to earth,
but escaped without a scratch.

A section of the Royal air force op-
erating in the Ypres salient has lost
its only American member, who had
been with the squadron only ten days
when he went on a bombing raid at
low elevation. He was hit by a machine-
gun bullet and his plane fell in
flames. He was taken prisoner.

The efforts of newspapers to pro-
mote good feeling between the people
of England and the thousands of Amer-
icans received official backing when
Sir Randolph Baker, member of parlia-
ment, offered to take charge of the
American troops welfare department of
the British government. His plans
contemplate a continuous program of
healthful recreation in every Amer-
ican rest camp and training camp in
England. Special London theatrical
companies will be sent out. An or-
ganization known as "Sammy's Blighty
leaves" is being formed.

The American infantryman in the
expeditionary forces carries 200 rounds
of ammunition in the pockets of his
light canvas web belt and his hand-
bags. The German soldier has only
120 rounds, and 20 of these are in his
knapsack. To secure them at a critical
moment he must lose valuable time.

The American web belt, according to
the war department, are far su-
perior to the German leather bandol-
iers. They are not affected by pro-
longed rains nor torrid weather. The
manufacture of these belts is one of
the most intricate of the operations in
the textile field. United States army
belts are made almost entirely of cot-
ton.

The exact weight of the 220 rounds
carried by the American soldier in
France is 12 pounds. With the Spring-
field rifle 25 aimed shots can be fired
each minute. Firing from the hip
shots can be fired a minute. The new
United States model 1917 (modified
Enfield) does even better.

The registration of German alien
females, to begin Monday, June 17,
and end Wednesday, June 26, will be
conducted in cities or municipalities
having 5,000 population or over by the
police officials. In communities hav-
ing a population of less than 5,000 the
registration will be handled by post-
masters.

In general the plan of registration
is the same as that followed in the
registration in February of German
alien males. Each person who must
register will be required to register
her finger prints. This method of
identification is also used in the mil-
itary and naval services of the United
States.

Boy scout organizations are active
in locating black walnut trees. Black
walnut lumber is needed by the war
department for use in making air-
plane propellers and gunstocks.

Enough heavy Browning machine
guns for instruction purposes have
been shipped to every National Guard
training camp and National army
cantonment in the country where
troops are in training. Heavy Brown-
ings for overseas training have also
been shipped.

Light Browning rifles sufficient in
number to equip the machine-gun
units of more than four army divisions
have been manufactured and over
seas shipment of one half has begun.
The other half of the output goes to
army divisions in this country.

The board appointed by the secre-
tary of the navy to examine the sys-
tem of buoyancy boxes installed on the
Lucia has reported the installation
not advisable for general adoption be-
cause of its questionable efficacy as a
preventative against sinking, the re-
duction in cargo-carrying capacity,
and the length of time required for
installation.

What is believed to be the oldest
inhabited residence in the world is
a mansion in Germany that was built
in 700.

High Cost of Laughing.
"Don't you enjoy a hearty laugh?"
"Yes, but I guess I'll have to let
it go along with the rest of the lux-
uries. A good comedian has to be
paid so much that I don't believe I
can afford it."

Camouflage.
"Yes, son; marriage is a failure."
"Are you married?"
"No."
"Why are you so skeptical?"
"I got to have some excuse for not
being married, haven't I?"

At every training camp in the coun-
try plans of the commission on train-
ing camp activities have been carried
out to provide athletic facilities for
the men. Baseball heads the list in
popularity, and full equipment has
been placed in the camps. More than
70,000 baseballs and 3,000 bats have
been sent. At Camp Lewis, Washing-
ton, there are 16 baseball fields in use.
Practically every company in each
camp division throughout the country
has its team and there are company,
battalion, regimental and interregi-
mental leagues.

Every form of track athletics oc-
cupies the attention of men training at
the camps. As many as 800 men have
taken part in divisional contests, and
track meets have been witnessed by
more than 20,000 spectators.

Where facilities permit, instruction
in swimming is given. Men are first
given land instruction and then sent
into the water. Tennis courts have
been built in every camp, one having
40 courts, and the sport is rapidly gain-
ing in popularity. Through the gen-
erosity of golf clubs located near the
camps, the demand for golf courses is
partly being met. Polo matches are
frequently held, and competition for
places on the teams is keen.

There is a list of 137 occupations
where the demand for men in the war
department constantly exceeds the sup-
ply.

A pressing need exists in the army
for men experienced in handling mules,
and before all future needs are met a
recruiting campaign may become nec-
essary. No district has been experi-
enced in getting men who can buy and
handle horses, but blacksmiths are
scarce.

There is a constant demand for
butchers, and cooks are greatly need-
ed. Technical branches, particularly the
engineers, men for the higher positions
are plentiful, but the workers for the
ranks are scarce. Experienced me-
chanics, especially those familiar with
automobiles, are always in demand.

More interpreters than can be used
have been applied for positions with the
war department, and applications for
commissions as army chaplains are
also in excess of the need. The excess
of clerks in each case. Clerks for
general work are plentiful, but there
is demand for specialists. At present
there is a surplus of dentists and
pharmacists.

Deliveries of the 8,000 motortrucks
recently ordered by the motor trans-
port service of the war department are
to be made between August 1 and
December 1. These trucks, known as
"Class B" standard, will have a ca-
pacity of three to five tons and will
be distributed as needed through the
various branches of the army. Ten
thousand of these class B standard
trucks have previously been ordered
and are now in process of manufac-
ture and delivery.

Under a new agreement the army
will handle all mail for the expedition-
ary forces after it leaves United States
ports. The post office department will
deliver the mail to military authorities
at the port of embarkation in this
country and receive it from them at a
port in France for dispatch to the
United States. The domestic money-
order service to the troops will for the
present, at least, continue under the
direction of the post office department
in France.

The first Porto Rican laborers to
reach the United States under govern-
ment auspices will be at work upon
government contracts within a month.
The employment service of the de-
partment of labor has already found
employment for at least 100,000 of
these men as common laborers on con-
struction work at Norfolk, Newport
News, Baltimore and vicinity. Ar-
rangements are now being made by
the department of labor to provide
proper housing for these men.

Women between the ages of twenty-
one and thirty-five who have had a
high school education or its equivalent
will be eligible for admission to the
army school of nursing, arrangements
for which were recently made by the
war department. It is intended to
start several schools in selected mil-
itary hospitals. Unless otherwise
specified, applications should be sent
directly to the army school of nursing,
office of the surgeon general of the
army, Washington, D. C.

"Keeping Our Fighters Fit—For
War and After," is the title of an
official book issued by the commission
on training camp activities, describing
the athletics, music, singing, social life
and other recreations of men in army
and navy camps. The book tells of
the theaters, the work of the Y. M. C.
A., Knights of Columbus and other or-
ganizations associated with the com-
mission in welfare work, and gives
details of life in the camps.

The two picnic acid plants to be
built at Little Rock, Ark., and Brum-
wick, Ga., contracts for which have
been completed by the war depart-
ment, will cost approximately \$7,000,
000.

Men of selective service age who
leave the United States to evade mil-
itary duty will have to stand trial on
charges of violations of the selective
service act when they return to the
country, according to the department
of justice, even though they do not re-
turn until after the war.

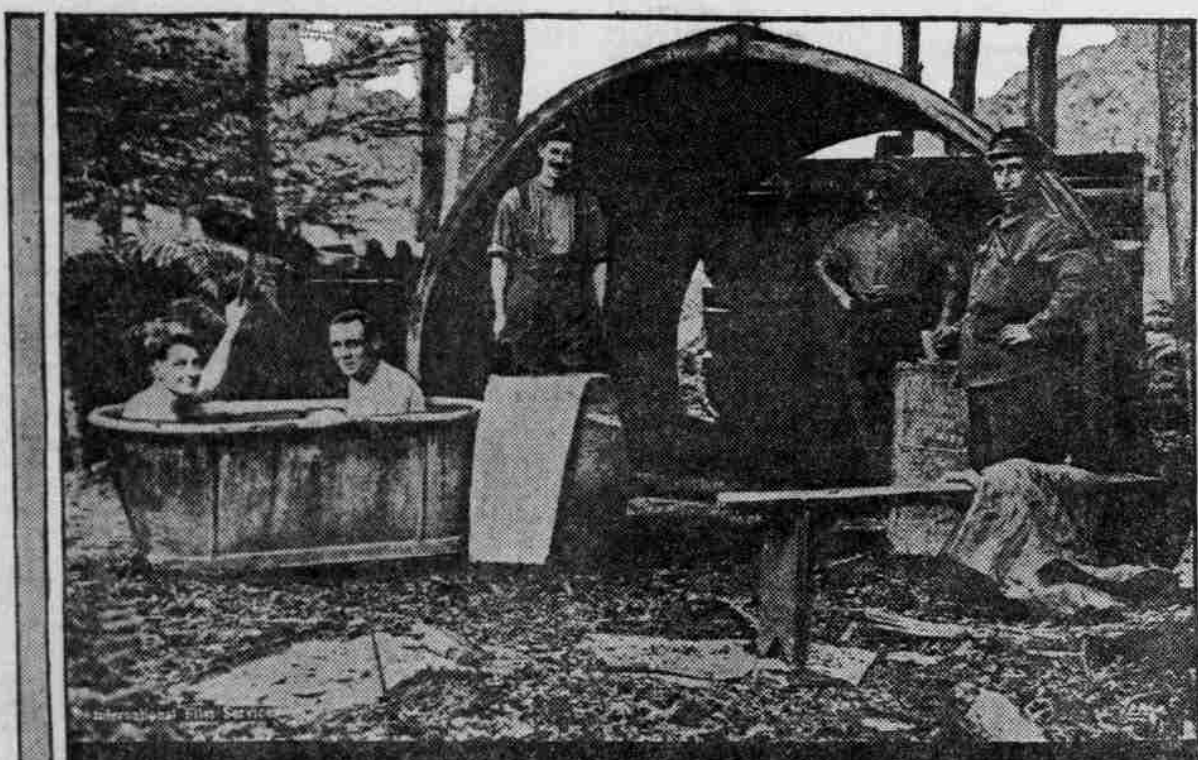
The department has at hand infor-
mation from which complete lists may
be prepared of all men who have left
the country to avoid service, says a
recent statement authorized by the
attorney general.

The food administration has sent
out to all state administrators a
warning to corn, barley and oats mil-
lars and to wholesale and retail deal-
ers in the products that at the present
prices of these grains cornmeal and
oatmeal should be selling at least 20
per cent below the price of wheat flour
and that corn flour and barley flour
should be selling at least 10 per cent
below wheat flour.

A billion-bushel wheat crop is fore-
cast, which is a bumper yield. Also
a few bumps for the Kaiser.

To Clean Matting.
For plain China matting, take
out of doors on a fine day and remove
the dust. Then wash with brine wa-
ter, using no soap as that turns the
matting yellow. Rinse with cold wa-
ter; dry as thoroughly as possible with
dry cloths, then hang on a line in the
sun until perfectly dry.

"ROOM AND BATH" JUST BACK OF THE FIGHTING LINES



One of the most necessary things, and sometimes the thing greatly lacking, is a bath for the men "out there." Behind the lines there are bathing quarters for the men and when bathing day arrives they are in a happy frame of mind. It's a case of first come, first served.

AMERICAN GENERAL CONGRATULATES MEN ON A TRENCH RAID



The daring of the American fighters in France has been rewarded and commended in various ways. Some of the men have been decorated with the French war cross. Yet a fighter delights in having his commanding officer personally congratulate him for exceptional valor. General Edwards, shown in this picture, realizes that his men gathered the men around and shook the hand of each.

HAS BEEN NURSE IN FRANCE



Miss Margery Kay, a Detroit society girl who served in an American hospital in France, has returned to the United States. She says that she is one of the first American nurses who served "over there" to come back. Here Miss Kay is shown wearing one of the uniforms popular with the women ambulance drivers in France. There is no official guard, so each one provides her own. The blue devil tan she is wearing was given to her by the former owner to replace her own cap, which was lost during a strenuous run. The bronze ring is the official badge of the American ambulance corps.

Passing the Sentry.
While I was on the Mexican border
the camp had a heavy guard at night.
The captain came back to camp late
one night and it happened that the
road over which he came into camp
had three or four sentries which he
would have to pass.

Each sentry halted him. He had
evidently had some trouble before he
came back, he was not in his best
mood and he got madder every time
they halted him.

When the guard at the last post
heard the captain coming he called,
"Halt, who goes there?"
The captain yelled out, "Who in
thunder do you suppose?"

The guard returned, "Advance, Who
in thunder do you suppose, and give
the countersign."—Chicago Tribune.

The Old School.
"What sort of a humorist is he?"
"Tiresome."
"So?"
"Yes, the kind of fellow who, when
you ask him how he feels, will al-
ways reply 'with his fingers.'"

The Reason.
"Why is it," queried the fair widow,
"that they always say a man 'pines'
for a woman?"
"I suppose," growled the fussy
bachelor, "it's because pine is about
the softest wood there is."

Sorry to Turn Him Out.
The Cop—"That buildin' is the
city hall."
The Come On—Dew tell, Wall,
I'll be awfully sorry to turn out the
mayor, but I just bought it for \$85
from the owner, a awful polite man
with a big diamond and a high hat."

A Settled Rule.
The Ma'or—What makes you so
sure that old mule can stand another
day's work?
The Muleteer—Cause he always
has.

OAKLAND DISLIKES KAISER BOOSTERS



The photograph shows men of Oakland, Cal., who recently drank toasts to Wilhelm Hohenzollern. Under the watchful eyes of armed policemen they are "making little ones out of big ones" and thus working off their enthusiasm for the Kaiser. The rock-crushing activities will continue for some time to come.

KAISER'S GOLD CUP MELTED FOR RED CROSS



The war fund of the Red Cross was considerably boosted by the gift of a solid gold cup that was given an American by the Kaiser. It has been melted down into bullion and the proceeds devoted to Red Cross work. The Kaiser cup was awarded to an American yachtman for winning a transatlantic yacht race to Kiel. Two nurses are shown sitting on either side of the Kaiser's gift.

Tone in Which We Speak.
Whether our words wound or give
help and pleasure, depends more on
the tone in which they are spoken than
on the words themselves. A tender
voice makes the most simple words
like soothing balm, and an indifferent
voice makes words of sympathy seem
a mockery. "I didn't say anything to
hurt her feelings," is the defense many
a girl makes when she has wounded
some one. But she sometimes fails to
take into account the tone in which the
words were spoken.—Girls' Companion.

Some Nerve.
"The nerve of that woman!"
"Well?"
"She says this noise sets her teeth
on edge."
"And—"
"Everybody knows she wears a
plate."—Florida Times-Union.

On the Wrong Track.
"What," asked Private Bing in ag-
itation, "what does this here bus
mean in French?"
"No good, no well."
"Good heavens," said Private Bing,
"I thought it meant all right. I've
been using it for four months."—Stars
and Stripes.

Optimistic Thought.
Riches are deservingly despised by a
man of honor because a well stored
chest intercepts the truth.

STATE SIFTINGS

James H. Dye, civil war veteran of
Urbana, hanged himself.

Donald Bennett, 10, Bellaire, was
drowned in the Ohio river.

Mrs. Floyd Treux is a candidate
for postmaster at Sarahsville, Noble
county.

E. B. Hopkins, 70, wholesale grocer
and civil war veteran, died suddenly
at Yellow Springs.

Mrs. Anna Saltzman, aged nearly
100 years, is dead at Findlay after a
few days' illness.

Private John P. Garvin of Tippe-
canoe City died of wounds received in
action in France.

Postmaster J. F. Bauer, Crestline,
has tendered his resignation, to be-
come effective July 15.

Mrs. Carrie Flatter, W. C. T. U.
worker, was injured probably fatally
in a runaway at Yellow Springs.

First class of 582 officers for small
arms firing school arrived at Camp
Perry from all parts of the country.
Sherman H. Easle of Gallipolis will
manage Edwin Jones' campaign for
the Republican gubernatorial nomina-
tion.

Twenty-five young women were
graduated from Oxford College for
Women at the eighty-sixth annual
commencement.

Ashabula's war chest goal of \$150,-
000 was over-subscribed, nearly
\$25,000, with 10,000 people contribut-
ing to the fund.

Court sustained the will of Mrs. Re-
becca Williams, giving the city of
Bellevue \$125,000 for support of
Mary Rutan hospital.

Special officers of the Hooking Val-
ley railroad threaten to prosecute 87
persons at Lancaster for stealing coal
from company's cars.

Governor Cox issued a proclama-
tion urging the observance of Flag
day, June 14, the 141st anniversary of
the stars and stripes.

An auction sale held at North Le-
wensburg, Union county, netted \$3,000
for the Red Cross. A large quilt
brought \$1,100 of this amount.

Ohio supreme court a second time
in effect, has held that motion pic-
tures are theatrical performances
and therefore unlawful Sundays.

Abram W. Agler, Canton attorney,
filed papers with the secretary of
state as candidate for the Republican
nomination for lieutenant governor.

Howard Michael, married, an auto-
mobile salesman from Mansfield, was
found dead in a Dayton garage
while sitting at the wheel of his ma-
chine.

Federal government is to com-
mandeer the supply of lumber at the
Toledo mills because of its inability
to obtain lumber delivered to Camp
Perry.

D. R. Kious of Mt. Sterling, state
representative from Madison county,
filed notice of his candidacy for the
Republican nomination for lieutenant
governor.

When Lorain closed its war chest
campaign it was found to have tripled
its quota. Subscriptions totaling \$500,
000 were secured. The original goal
was \$170,000.

Federal Food Administrator Ho-
over, in a telegram to State Adminis-
trator Croxton, urged greater re-
striction than ever before in the use
of wheat and wheat products.

Albion youths of Canton be-
tween 18 and 20 must work 35 hours
every week, under a new ordinance
introduced by Assistant Solicitor
Ruff. Those attending school are ex-
empted.

Secretary of State Fulton officially
became a candidate for a second
term nomination. He filed with him-
self as state supervisor of elections
his petition for renomination for sec-
retary of state.

J. R. Clements was re-elected pub-
lic school director of Lancaster, public
schools at an annual salary of \$3,000,
an increase of \$500. Teachers were
granted salary increase of from \$19
to \$25 per month.

"Conscientious objectors" at Camp
Shelton have tossed up a sentence
and quit arguing with Uncle Sam.
They are now willing to do any
kind of noncombatant service, pro-
vided they are not compelled to
shoulder a rifle.

Diphtheria antitoxin at about half
the former price will be available to
Ohioans under a new contract just
made by the state department of
health with the firm which supplies
antitoxin, under the department's
supervision, to this state.

Harry Brown, a former hotel
proprietor at Bellaire, who has
been mysteriously missing for eight
years, was declared legally dead and
his only daughter, Mrs. Carrie Malone
of Cleveland, was named administratrix
so she could collect his life insur-
ance.

Albert Bernet, 50, one of Ohio's
best known newspaper men, died of
apoplexy at his home in Columbus.
He had been in splendid health and
was coming home without warning. He
was manager of the Columbus office
of the Western Newspaper Union
and prominent in fraternal circles.

Charles E. Gaumer of Marion, for-
merly of Urbana, was appointed ex-
aminer in the state securities depart-
ment, succeeding Henry Farrell of
Xenia, resigned.

Judges R. M. Wamamaker and O.
W. Newman of the supreme court
filed declarations of candidacy for
renomination. Wamamaker is Repub-
lican and Newman a Democrat.

Chillicothe officers are co-operating
with military authorities at Camp
Sherman in halting whatever move-
ment is attempted to ship immoral
and diseased women to the camp to
undermine the health of troops.

Military registrants in Ohio are
warned to carry with them this week
their classification cards. State se-
lective service headquarters, through
city and village police, sheriffs and
agents of the federal department of
justice, will make a drive against
slackers.

In a ruling the state public utilities
commission held that the action of
the Ohio Telephone company in in-
creasing business telephone rates in
Columbus Feb. 1, 1917, was illegal,
and, therefore, null and void, because
the company did not ask the commis-
sion's approval of these rates.

Ohio war savings bank will tour the
state during the next 30 days in the
interest of the war savings stamp
campaign. The ball is made of gal-
vanized tin and is 6 feet in diameter.
Dark County Red Cross society has
entered suit for libel against Henry
Schurer for \$50,000 in common pleas
court, at Greenville, alleging disloy-
alty and treasonable conduct. The
petition says that Schurer described
the American Red Cross society as a
"bunch of grifters" and said that the
people conducting its affairs were
embezzlers and that many were mak-
ing millions of dollars out of it.

Sheldon G. Smith resigned as audi-
tor of Perry county.

Vandalia destroyed Lincoln high-
way markers west of Buena Vista.
L. S. McCoy, 63, Dayton, real es-
tate dealer, fell dead in his office.
George Fuss of Newark was wound-
ed severely in action on the French
front.

All services at Trinity Lutheran
church, Marysville, will be conducted
in English hereafter.

Henry Town, I. W. W. organizer,
was arrested at Youngstown under
the new espionage act.

Dan Datis, a foreman at a steel
mill, was shot by three unknown men
at Warren and probably will die.

Irvin and Earl Steece were badly
injured when their auto turned turtle
near Kirkpatrick, Marion county.

Vossler Brothers, saloonists, closed
their doors and quit business, leav-
ing only 10 saloons in Wapakoneta.
Ohio is called on to furnish 1,484
registries to the Red Cross for
military hospital service abroad.

Body of unknown negro, believed
to have frozen to death last January,
was found in the woods south of Bu-
ena Vista.

Ora Troyer, Mennonite leader, was
sentenced to 25 years in jail for fail-
ure to keep his 8-year-old daughter in
school.

Harry S. Osborn of Cincinnati was
elected president of the Ohio branch
of the National Association of Post
office Clerks.

Mahoning county has sent nearly
6,000 men to war. Eight hundred and
thirty-one have just been sent to
Camp Gordon, Ga.

Industrial commission claims have
a precedence over first claim mort-
gages, federal courts have decided in
an Allen county case.

Four persons were injured in a
head-on collision of two Youngstown
and Ohio River railroad passenger
cars near East Liverpool.

A mysterious explosion in the plant
of the Libbey Glass company, Toledo,
blew down a huge stack and killed
Louis Wilson, 28, a laborer.

Edward Spear, 32, is dead at his
home in New Athens. He is said to
have held the Ohio record for the
longest Masonic membership.

Mrs. Mary A. Link, 57, Bucyrus,
died of blood poisoning caused by a
needle piercing one of her fingers
while she was washing children.

William Coffman of Davisville, a
select, is in jail in Jackson in con-
nection with the killing of John Tur-
vey, 26, a policeman of Canton.

Body of Miss Harriet M. King, 68,
a magazine writer, was found on a
walk in her flower garden at Dayton.
It is believed she succumbed to a pa-
ralytic stroke.

Columbus boosting salaries of
more than 1,000 city employees get-
ting less than \$3,000 a year \$25 a
month were unanimously passed by
Columbus council.

Anthony Frazer, 40, was instantly
killed and Marcel Crissman, 31, was
seriously injured when they were
struck by lightning while digging a
trench near Oxford.

C. J. Reams of Marysville was ap-
pointed superintendent of the Pay-
ette-Pickaway-Canton state free em-
ployment bureau, with headquarters
in Washington, D. C.

Orville Wright, 40, farmer and
two children, Dorothy, 9, and Robert,
7, were instantly killed when their
automobile was struck by a train,
about six miles east of Xenia.

When their automobile was dem-
olished by an interurban car south of
Norwalk, O. M. Watts, farmer, his
wife and two sons, Lane, 23, and
Vaughn, 25, were instantly killed.

Ohio wheat is progressing in fine
shape and in some localities is head-
ing, according to the weekly report
of the United States department of
agriculture. Oats, meadows and gar-
dens are thriving.

At Cleveland Abraham Weinzier-
mer, 24, real estate dealer, was shot
and killed by the police when he fled
from a house the officers had raided
in search of the murderer of a negro
who was called to his door and shot
to death.

Mrs. Lawrence K. Langdon, 34, of
Lebanon, wife of Lawrence K. Lang-
don, newspaper Reporter and former
member of the state public utilities
commission, died at Cincinnati
from appendicitis.

An engine collided with an empty
train on the Erie railroad near
Xenia, W. B. Evans, Wilbur Evans,
Conductor Charles Wolf, Promen-
ade Boyer, brakeman Will Shelton,
all of Marion, and an unidentified
porter were killed.

John Evans, 11, son of John E.
Evans, former Niles merchant, and
Noble Woods, 16, son of Henry
Woods, were drowned in Me-
ander creek, near Niles. Evans could
not swim and, getting into the stream